

## REHEARSAL OF CRIME.

Many Simple Acts Within the Law Which Are Overlooked.

Many people who have never been accused of wrongdoing and who live strictly "within the law" often make themselves liable to fine and imprisonment, and are not punished only because the laws are not enforced. The man who stands before his window, where he can be seen from the street, to adjust his collar or necktie, or to get a better light on a collar button, commits a misdemeanor for which he may be fined or may be imprisoned.

It is all right to be kind to the dog, but there is in many municipalities a fine for allowing the dog to run at large. After you have given your dog a run and started to take a walk, if you are a smoker, you are liable to be a law-breaker by stopping at a letter box to strike a match for your cigar. There is a severe penalty for defacing a letter box, and making marks on it with a match certainly does not improve the looks of the box. To throw paper on the street is often a punishable offense. To expectorate on the floor of the car is also a misdemeanor.

Another "crime" is that of waving a flag. It does not matter in the least what the flag may be, you must not wave it in public or you will make yourself liable to fine or imprisonment.

To play without a license any musical instrument on the street is another unsafe practice, the danger of which is quite unappreciated.

Everybody knows the familiar "Keep off the grass" signs of many parks, but it is probably not known that in some places the remarkably severe punishment of ten days in jail or a \$10 fine may be inflicted on the offender. Another law, which is not, however, without some necessity, is that threatening the man who throws banana skins on the street. In New York city he is liable to a \$5 fine or ten days in prison. To engage in a lottery, however simple and harmless, or to play any gambling game, such as a friendly game of poker on the train or boat, is punishable with a fine and a term in prison.

## Recent Trembles

### of Mother Earth.

Mother Earth has certainly had something on her mind during the last few months. Perhaps never was a like period characterized by more widespread seismic disturbances. While the woe of St. Pierre was not appreciated elsewhere, it is pointed out that every continent except Australia was subject to earthquake with frequent accompanying volcanic disturbances during that time. Here is the list:

January—Nova Scotia, Croatia, Mexico, Lisbon.  
February—Russia, Schemacha.  
March—Turkey, Italy, Tehangaria and Luca, respectively.  
April—Guatemala, Iceland.  
May—Martinique (volcanic), St. Vincent, Spain, France (South Bordeaux), Washington (Mount Redoubt, volcanic), Croatia, Mexico, San Francisco, Florida, France (the Creusot district), the Cape Peninsula and Greece.  
June—Italy, Russia and Chile, in Veltiri, Baku and Chaco, respectively (the two last volcanic), Cheshire, St. Vincent, Sicily, India, Himalayas, and in July, Turkey, Salonica and St. Vincent.

## Just an Average Day.

Mrs. Morse was a truthful woman with nothing to conceal, so when she was asked, on the witness stand, to tell what she did on a certain day between the hours of seven and nine in the morning, she responded without a trace of reluctance:

"First I helped little Jim get dressed, for he never can manage it alone. Then I ran downstairs and made the griddle-cakes, and saw to Mr. Morse's coffee, and carried up Robert and Dorothy for fear they'd be late to school, and ate an orange and some toast and a boiled egg—I remember it was boiled too hard. Bridget hasn't learned the right time yet—and then our minister's wife came over to get me to help her cut out a coat for the baby, and then I dusted the parlor, and made five beds, and straightened up the rooms, and mended three of Mr. Morse's shirts, and pressed out some neckties, and did a little darning. And I'd just got the pudding made and was beginning on some ginger cookies when I heard that cry that startled the whole neighborhood. Now I wonder if I've forgotten anything."

But the judge, who, previous to her recital, had wondered whether Mrs. Morse had not been in a position to see more of the catastrophe than she seemed to admit, pressed his hand to his forehead with a dazed look.

## A Distinguished Japanese Liberator.

Marquis Saigo Teiunichi, the distinguished statesman who died of cancer recently in Yokohama, played such a prominent part in liberating Japan from the rule of the Tycoon and in restoring the Mikado that he has been known as "The Oriental Garibaldi." He it was who in 1862 drew up the Japanese declaration of independence, for doing which he was confined in a small cage for three years, until he could neither stand nor walk. He recovered in time to largely aid in the Tycoon's overthrow. The Marquis was highly educated and held numerous government offices of high grade.

## Their Idea.

"Just think of those scientists climbing up those volcanoes and peeping down into the craters," shivered Mrs. Fosdick.

"They wished to get an inside view of the situation," explained Mr. Fosdick.

## STOPS HIS TOUR

PRESIDENT OBLIGED TO ABANDON WESTERN TRIP.

## UNDERGOES AN OPERATION

KNEE INJURED AT PITTSFIELD PROHIBITS ACTIVITY.

## HAS SUFFERED MANY DAYS

CANCELS DATES ONLY WHEN PAIN BECOMES INTENSE.

Operation in No Way Critical, and Condition Not Serious—Starts on Return Trip to Washington.

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 23.—At 5:45 p. m. the following official statement was issued:

At 3:15 p. m. the president went from the Columbia club to St. Vincent's hospital in his own carriage, and shortly after he was in the hospital the operation required was performed by Dr. George H. Oliver of Indianapolis, in consultation with the president's physician.

At the conclusion of the operation the physicians authorized the following statement:

"As a result of the traumatism (bruise) received in the trolley accident at Pittsfield, Mass., there was found to be a circumscribed collection of perfectly pure serum in the middle third of the left anterior tibial region, the sac containing about two ounces, which was removed."

"The indications are that the president should make speedy recovery." (Signed)

GEO. B. CORTELYOU  
Secretary to the President

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 24.—President Roosevelt's western trip came to an untimely end in this city Tuesday. He was found to be suffering from a swelling in the left leg between the knee and the ankle that required immediate surgical attention, and, instead of being taken to the train to continue his journey to Fort Wayne and Milwaukee, he was conveyed to St. Vincent's hospital, where he was operated on. The operation occurred at 3:45 o'clock, and lasted only a short time, when he was taken to a private room in the hospital to rest.

After taking a light luncheon at 7:50 p. m., he was conveyed on a stretcher to his train, which had been backed up to the "Y" near the hospital, and at ten minutes to eight o'clock the train left for Washington. The first intimation that anything was wrong came in the form of rumors to the great crowd that was patiently waiting around the Columbia club and the soldiers and sailors monument for the president to appear.

It was about 2:30 o'clock, half an hour after the time set for the president to leave the city, that a few of the favored ones in the crowd received intimations that the president was sick and that the rest of the trip would probably be abandoned. These statements were as promptly denied as fast as they gained currency, but soon the rumors began to take on a more serious character.

"The president has burst a blood vessel," was a whisper that went around among the police officers and soldiers.

"This cannot be true," said others, "for the president is in the corridor conversing with Senator Fairbanks."

Then it was said that the president was sick, that he had fainted, and finally a rumor was started that he had been shot.

These rumors however, did not appear to reach the crowd, and the thousands stood patiently after the speech by the president from the balcony to see him make his way out of the club. The minutes began to fly away, and still he did not come. A half hour or more passed and finally it was noticed that a movement of some kind was on.

The president's carriage stood in front of the entrance of the club, with Colonel Wilson, the governor's private secretary inside holding the large bunch of American Beauty roses that had been given the president in the hall.

## Will Carry Oil to Japan

Philadelphia, Sept. 24.—The first of a big fleet of French sailing vessels has just arrived here to load oil for Japan. The vessel is the ship Faulconier, launched only a few months ago at St. Nazaire.

## Tariff Bill in Reichstag.

Berlin, Sept. 24.—The reichstag's customs tariff committee began the second reading of the tariff bill today. The centrists, German conservatives, and free conservatives have decided to abide by the agrarian increases adopted at the first reading which the government has pronounced unacceptable.

The Berlin butchers have added two and one-half cents per pound to the price of pork, making it 26¢ cents. The outlook is dismal.

## LOCHINVAR IN KNEE PANTS.

Boy of sixteen Abducts Miss a Year Younger.

Sioux City, Ia., Sept. 24.—Arthur Nichols, aged sixteen, of Emerson, Neb., it is charged, enticed Flossie Haynes, aged fifteen, also of Emerson, to take a ride with him. She was enjoying the ride when he drove into Hubbard, took her to the depot and waited until a train came along. He put her on the train with a ticket to Sioux City, and said he would drive back to Emerson and follow on the next train. When he reached Emerson he was met by an officer and arrested for alleged abduction. The girl arrived here and was enjoying the Elks carnival. She chanced to pass the police station just after her father had telephoned her description to Chief Davenport. The chief recognizing her, put her in the woman's ward until her father came, when she buried her face in his coat and wept.

## Saloon Stabbing Affray

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 24.—Walt Sheldon stabbed Warren Snelling in Roenstock's saloon at 915 O street Saturday night about 10:30. Two knife wounds were inflicted in the young man's back. Sheldon made his escape.

Those who witnessed the trouble said Snelling was with a crowd of friends at the bar drinking. Sheldon was in the back end of the saloon. He called to the people at the bar using ugly names. This Snelling resented. He went back to ask Sheldon what he meant by such language. Sheldon's reply was a knife deftly used. Before those at the bar realized that a fight was in progress Snelling exclaimed that he had been stabbed and Sheldon ran out of the saloon. A crowd of Snelling's friends followed him. He ran south and west toward the railroad yards. When his pursuers were almost upon him he dodged behind some freight cars and was lost to view in the dark.

Snelling's wounds were said by the physician who was called to be painful. They were deep flesh cuts but will not prove serious.

Will O'Connor, John Kelly of 2130 F street and F. F. Robinson who lives four miles east of the city, with others, saw the fight. Robinson said he saw the knife and could swear that it was wielded by Sheldon.

Sheldon is a horse trader and once before was mixed up in a cutting scrape. Snelling is a young man about town who has had trouble with the police and who has been going a rapid pace of late. Both were intoxicated when the stabbing took place. The police at once began a search for Sheldon but he could not be found. He is a grown man of large size while Snelling is a mere boy in appearance.

## Troops in Demand

Harrisburg, Penn., Sept. 24.—Gen. Gobin, who is in command of the troops in the hard coal strike region was ordered by Governor Stone Wednesday night to send the First battalion of the Twelfth regiment to Lebanon to assist the sheriff in preserving the peace where the iron and steel workers of the American Iron and Steel Manufacturing company have been on a strike for nearly five months.

The battalion, which has been on duty at Sherman ever since the troops were sent there, left that town tonight for Lebanon in command of Colonel Clement. The troops reached Lebanon shortly before eight o'clock.

A delegation from Lebanon called upon the governor today and requested that troops be sent to that city where rioting has occurred among the strikers. The men went on strike May 5.

A few weeks ago the company started up several of its rolling mills with non-union men, all of whom were negroes taken there principally from southern iron works. The presence of the colored men greatly excited the strikers and there has been disorder ever since.

## Burlington Track Washed

Trenton, Sept. 24.—This vicinity and surrounding country has witnessed one of the heaviest rainfalls known for years. The precipitation was reported from three to seven inches. Canyons and low places were full of running water from one to several feet deep. The Republican river rose rapidly and carried a portion of the east bridge away in the rushing water. Numerous culverts and bridges went out. Water came rolling down a little stream about two miles west of town known as Elm creek, spreading rapidly along the roadway, running over the grades and Burlington track washing out about seventy rails, ties and ballast down the grade. An engineer on No. 14 noticed a weak spot on the track, and upon examination discovered the dangerous condition of the track, possibly avoiding a bad wreck.

## Accused of Killing Fish.

New York, Sept. 24.—The inquiry into the death of the late Nicholas Fish, banker, clubman, and son of Hamilton Fish, who was secretary of state in president Grant's administration, began today before Coroner Jackson.

The jury found that Fish's death was due to a fall caused by a blow struck by Thomas J. Sharkey. Sharkey was held in \$10,000 bail for the action of the grand jury.

## BLOWS UP HOTEL

MAN USES DYNAMITE AND THEN KILLS HIMSELF.

## ELEVATOR TAKES TUMBLE

FALLS THREE STORIES AND INJURE PASSENGERS.

## CHINAMAN ACCUSE POLICE

Say They Aided in Abduction of Wife and Child—Killed by Falling Debris.

Washington, Sept. 26.—The Golden Eagle hotel on the corner of the Jersey avenue and D street, was dynamited this morning at 4:30 o'clock, by Frank McKie, one of the guests, who subsequently committed suicide.

Between twenty and thirty guests were thrown from their beds by the explosion, but only the proprietor, Louis Brandt, and his wife, were injured the latter seriously.

The roof of the building was blown off and the falling wreckage crashed through to the basement, leaving the structure as if wrecked by a tornado. Every pane of glass in the building and the adjoining structures was broken. The explosion called out the fire department. The affair is involved in some mystery. The proprietor gave a banquet last night in honor of his wife, who had just returned from Germany, and McKie was a guest. McKie had boarded at the hotel four years and had been treated as a member of the Brand family, which includes a daughter, Sophie, with whom McKie was said to be in love. Brand denies that there was any understanding between the two. McKie remarked last night that he was going to wait until Sophie returned from Germany at her mother's then he was going to his old home in Philadelphia. Mrs. Brand and her daughter returned about 8 o'clock last night.

The attempt at a wholesale murder followed this morning. McKie, with a pistol in his hand, was seen by an employee of a lunch room opposite the hotel just before the shots were fired. When the explosion occurred a slight blaze sprang from the debris, but it was quickly extinguished by the firemen. Brand and his wife were rescued before many of the thirty guests of the establishment had reached the part of the building in which McKie's room was located. McKie, with a revolver clutched in his hand, was found lying on the floor with his head in a pool of blood. A bullet hole near the right ear had caused instant death.

Brandt was bruised about the body and shaken up badly and received a severe cut on the left leg. Mrs. Brandt sustained bruises about the body and a cut hand. When the wrecked building was searched there enough dynamite was found in McKie's trunk to blow up a block of buildings. There were six whole sticks and parts of two or three broken sticks, together with a box of caps and a quantity of wire for long distance explosions. He had at least nine sticks of dynamite in his possession.

McKie was about twenty-eight years old. He was formerly of Philadelphia, and had relatives in Chicago. His brother, Harry McKie, was killed in Chicago last year, according to a telegram found in the dead man's room today. McKie was a machinist in the navy yard here but resigned on inheriting upwards of \$20,000 about four years ago. This amount he is said to have lost on the races, and this act is accredited by some to this loss. Detectives are investigating the case today.

## Elevator Takes a Tumble.

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 26.—An elevator at the Emery-Bird-Thayer Dry Goods, company, carrying twenty-five young women employees, fell three stories at noon Thursday.

A dozen girls were injured, but with the exception of Emma Parish, aged eighteen years, who was hurt internally, and who was unconscious when removed to her home, it is believed that none were seriously hurt. Several fainted and for a time it was thought many had been killed.

The elevator is used for freight, but at the time of the accident the girls were being carried to the top floor for luncheon. It was loaded to the limit.

## Not Much of Ticket Left.

Topeka, Sept. 26.—James Tapp of Wichita and John Madden of Emporia, have refused the nominations of attorney general and supreme court justice respectively on the allied people's ticket. This makes four of the nominees to refuse the places. The managers of the party will probably call another convention.

The officers were nominated by means of the initiative and referendum.

## AGED MAN KILLS HIMSELF.

Fred Hoffman, of North Bend, Blows His Head Off.

North Bend, Neb., Sept. 26.—Citizens of this place were horrified yesterday morning to learn of the death of Fred Hoffman, aged sixty-two years, by his own hand. Hoffman blew off the top of his head with a shotgun last evening and his body was found this morning lying in a room of the shack which he occupied alone in the southern edge of town.

Mrs. Howard, who lived near by, heard the report of a gun about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. She feared that Hoffman had committed suicide, as he had told a number of people that he was tired of living. When her husband came home she asked him to investigate, but he said the shot was probably fired by some one hunting rabbits and paid no attention to his wife's apprehensions. This morning she sent her ten-year-old son to Hoffman's house to see if he was there. The boy knocked, but there was no response. He went back to his mother and she caused some of the neighbors to go to the place and break open the door. They found the remains of Hoffman lying in a corner of the room with the top of his head above the ears entirely blown away.

A shotgun lying near by told the story of the self-destruction. The sight which met the eyes of the party as they entered the room was a most sickening one. The brains of the dead man had fallen into a pan and looked as though they had been taken out and laid there. Blood and particles of flesh and brain were scattered on a sofa and the walls and floor of the room. A stream of blood had flowed the entire length of the room, leaving pools here and there.

The dead man had carefully fastened all the doors of the house before killing himself. He left a letter addressed to his children, which read as follows:

"North Bend, Neb., Sept. 24.—Dear children Don't let the county bury me. Bury me as cheap as you can. I have worked hard all my life and can't work any more. God will help you remember me when this you see, so good bye. F. Hoffman."

Below the letter on the same page was written "Send the Gorey Bros. They will do something to help me." Hoffman had a wife and nine children, five of whom are married, but he had become estranged from them some years ago. He lived the life of a bachelor, cooking his own meals and doing his own housework. Four weeks ago he was taken ill and two weeks ago he was sent to the Fremont hospital. After remaining there one day and night he was removed to the county poor house.

Last week he was allowed to come back to North Bend by consent of the board of supervisors. Sheriff Kreader and Coroner Brown arrived here on a morning train in response to a summons by telephone and held an inquest over the remains. Only four witnesses were examined and the case was clearly shown to be one of suicide. Hoffman had told several of his neighbors that they need not be surprised to find him at any time with his toes turned up, as he was tired of living in the way he was.

The jury, of which J. J. Kelsner was foreman, reached a verdict of death by suicide.

## Butterfield Much Better.

Fairbury, Neb., Sept. 26.—Constable Tom Butterfield, who was shot by William Spraggins at Daykin last Saturday night, is still alive and exhibiting very promising symptoms.

County Attorney C. H. Denney and County Judge C. C. Boyle went to Daykin last night to secure the injured man's signature to a complaint against Spraggins, and found the constable in excellent spirits. His physicians say, barring unforeseen complications, he will recover.

The complaint against Spraggins charges "assault with intent to do great bodily harm."

While some dissatisfaction is expressed that the charge did not specify an "intent to kill" the mildness of the complaint is accounted for in the fact that the penalty is precisely the same in either case, and in an ordinary court it would be much easier to prove the former than the latter charge.

The prisoner is a man about thirty years of age, and has a wife and two children. It is said he has a most ungovernable temper, and Saturday night's shooting was but the outgrowth of a melee that started some ten days ago, when a man by the name of Black got the better of him in a fist encounter. He had marched two of Black's brothers home at the point of a shotgun and was looking for Black with the avowed intention of killing him, when he met the constable.

## Killed by Falling Debris.

Des Moines, Ia., Sept. 26.—W. C. Walden of Boone died in the hospital today the result of injuries received in the collapse of a one-story brick business block on the principal business street of Des Moines. As he was passing the building the front suddenly fell outward, burying him in the debris.

During the Boer war Hungary exported 86,680 horses to South Africa by way of Flume.

## NEBRASKA

W. Eighner has purchased the Pullman roller mills from C. Hogedon for \$10,000.

A three day harvest festival was held at Neligh with an attendance of ,000. Over \$2,000 was netted from the fair. This sum will be used toward the purchase of a park.

County Clerk Tanner of Richardson county has turned the tax books for 1902 over to the county treasurer. The assessed valuation of Richardson county is \$3,461,645 and the total tax levied is \$165,152.35.

The trades carnival and street fair Superior was held last week. Among the features were two baseball games a day, speeches by state nominees, trade exhibits and band concerts.

The Norfolk Light & Fuel company, with a capital stock of \$50,000, and the Rising City bank, with a capital stock of \$200,000, have filed their articles of incorporation with the secretary of the state.

At the auction sale of horses of the Valley Land and Cattle company held at Ogalalla sixty-eight head were sold, bringing good prices, averaging about \$35, from yearlings up. Bidding was spirited and lively and every horse sold for cash.

The Burlington has announced that it has granted telegraphers a raise of from \$5 to \$10 a month. The men receiving this raise were the lower alerted men and their wages will be \$10 a month hereafter instead of \$60 and 65. The raise was made effective September 1.

Charles Dille a teamster living in Nebraska City reported to the police that he was knocked down and robbed of \$15.70. He can give no account of the robbers other than that they came up behind him and struck him over the head. There is no clue to their identity.

The machinery and ten carloads of stone and other material for the new cereal mills to be erected in Glenover, a suburb of Beatrice have arrived. It is the intention of the projectors of the enterprise to have the mill in operation by the time snow flies.

While working with a disk harrow Charles Ernst, a young farmer near Tecumseh came near losing his life. As it is he is suffering with a severely lacerated back and arm. His horses lunged forward and he fell off the seat backward. The lines were wrapped around his wrists and his fall caused him to jerk them. The horses backed the harrow onto him with the result above stated.

Articles of incorporation have been filed with the secretary of state for the Interstate Independent Telephone company the object of the company being to erect a line in South Omaha in opposition to the Bell company. Incorporators are: A. A. Wright, Thomas Nealy, L. C. Gibson, Frank Crawford, W. C. Lambert, T. Jorgensen, R. Rowley, Daniel Hano, L. J. Carpenter, John Fynn and James Koutsky. The capital stock is \$100,000.

The dam put in by the Stanton Water Power company at a cost of \$7,500 was completed last Saturday and was carried out for the second time about six hours after its completion. The structure was put in by the Beardsley Gravity Dam and Construction company and had not yet been accepted by the Stanton Water Power company. The contract price was \$7,500, of which \$5,500 had been paid during construction. Back of these payments is a \$10,000 bond given by the Beardsley company.

## A Hard Struggle.

When you have a bad back, a back that lame, weak or aching, it's a hard struggle sometimes to find relief and cure, but it's a harder struggle when the dangers beset you of urinary disorders, too frequent urination, retention of the urine with all the subsequent pains, annoyances and suffering. There are many medicines that relieve these conditions, but you want a remedy—a cure. Read this statement; it tells of a cure that lasted:

Veteran Josiah Heller, place of residence 706 South Walnut street, Urbana, Ill., says: "In the fall of 1889 I procured Doan's Kidney Pills at Cunningham's drug store in Champaign, and after taking the remedy conscientiously I made a public statement of the results. I told how Doan's Kidney Pills relieved me of kidney trouble, disposed of my lame back and the pains across my loins, beneath the shoulder blades, etc. During the interval which has elapsed I have had occasion at times to resort to Doan's Kidney Pills when I noticed warnings of another attack, and on each and every occasion the result obtained was just as satisfactory as when the pills were first brought to my notice. At this time I just as emphatically endorse the preparation as I did several years ago."

A FREE TRIAL of this great Kidney medicine which cured Mr. Heller will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.